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Biggest U.S. Cocaine Smuggler Receives Life Without Parole

ATLANTA (AP)—Harold Rosenthal, convicted of running what the government called the biggest cocaine smuggling ring in U.S. history, was sentenced Monday to life in prison without possibility of parole and fined \$425,000.

Rosenthal, 53, who said that he had smuggled drugs to cover his real job as an operative for the Central Intelligence Agency in Colombia, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge G. Ernest Tidwell.

In addition, Rosenthal was given concurrent sentences totaling 190 years for his convictions on two counts of racketeering, seven counts of importing cocaine into the United States and four counts of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.